nothing unbecoming may happen in the Assembly. History has shown that sometimes these things have been used for acts of violence by one side against another.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Nothing happened in our Assembly.

MR. SPEAKER : Therefore I am going to say that we in this House need not be afraid of this matter because we are so friendly. Ours is the only Assembly that I have seen where the Government benches and the Opposition benches are so close, and frequently, consultations take place between one another. In all other assemblies considerable distance separates these benches.

Also things which are unbecoming are not allowed, such as smoking, eating chocolates and sweets, pealing and eating of oranges, etc. Things like eggs are also not permitted because at times these things are thrown at one another.

All these restrictions were imposed so that the dignity and decorum of the House are maintained. Nothing that would impair this dignity or which could cause injury to other Members is allowed.

I do not think that these little badges which hon. Members belonging to the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam wore could be considered harmful or are equivalent to weapons.. In fact, they were so small that I myself did not observe them till the hon. Member brought it to my notice.

However, I feel that the Legislature of a State is the moulder of its laws and the guardian of its rights and liberties. As, in this Chamber matters are decided after discussion, hon. Members should try to convince the other side by arguments and not by displaying badges and by demonstrations.

I would like to conclude with an earnest entreaty to hon. Members not to resort to any demonstration whatever feelings may be which would incidentally lower the prestige of the House. In according respect to established parliamentary practice, a Member is according respect to himself. I do not say that the wearing of a small badge is a violation of any rule of this House or of any convention in any Parliament. However, I hope Members will do their best to contribute to the dignity of this House and its proceedings.

III.—ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(1) BILLS PASSED BY THE COUNCIL.

MR. SPEAKER : I have to announce that the Legislative Council has passed the Madras Sales of Motor Spirit Taxation (Amendment) Bill, 1960 (L.A. Bill No. 23 of 1960) without any recommendation and that the following Bills also have been passed by the Legislative Council without any amendment.

(1) The Madras Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Bill, 1960 (L.A. Bill No. 27 of 1960).

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(2) The Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1960 (L.A. Bill No. 14 of 1960).

(3) The Madras Places of Public Resort (Amendment) Bill, 1960 (L.A. Bill No. 20 of 1960).

(4) The Madras Nurses and Midwives (Amendment) Bill, 1960 (L.A. Bill No. 22 of 1960).

IV.—INFORMATION *RE.* SRI LAZAR'S PRIVILEGE MATTER.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : On a point of information, Sir, yesterday you were pleased to announce that the privilege matter given notice of by hon. Member Sri S. Lazar would be taken up tomorrow for ascertaining the opinion of the leaders of parties. It is an important issue. I want to consult proper authorities. So I request that some other day may be fixed for it instead of tomorrow. We have also to debate on the draft outline of the Third Five Year Plan to-day and tomorrow, and if the notice that I have given under Rule 41 of the Assembly Rules is also taken up tomorrow together with the privilege matter, the time allotted for the Third Plan debate would be curtailed. Therefore I submit that this can be postponed to some other day.

MR. SPEAKER : Will 9th be agreeable?

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Yes, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : It will be taken up on the 9th.

V.—GOVERNMENT BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS CHIT FUNDS BILL, 1960 (L.A. BILL NO. 5 OF 1960).

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to present the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Madras Chit Funds Bill, 1960[a] (L.A. Bill No. 5 of 1960).

(2) THE MADRAS APPROPRIATION (NO. 3) BILL, 1960 (L.A. BILL NO. 33 OF 1960).

MR. SPEAKER : I understand that some hon. Members want to speak on this Bill. I would like to know how many hon. Members want to speak on this Bill and for how long.

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIYAR : I want to speak on the Bill, Sir.

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : I would also like to speak on the Bill, Sir.

MR. SPEAKER : The convention is—and there has been agreement also on this—that much time is not to be taken on the discussion of the Appropriation Bill, especially after the elaborate general discussion that had taken place. Anyway, I am not

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